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## **DETAILED ACTION**

1. Receipt of the amendment filed November 08, 2005 is acknowledged. Claims 31-110 have been cancelled and 111-166 have been added.

## Response to Amendment

2. Newly submitted claims 111-166 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons: the claims recite a purchasing customer and selling vendor by a telephone service provider which is not the selling vendor.

Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 111-166 withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

3. The amendment filed on November 08, 2005 canceling all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because they present limitation unrelated to the original claim.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in

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order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR

1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Daniel S. Felten whose telephone number is (571) 272-6742.

The examiner can normally be reached on Flex.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Vincent Millin can be reached on (571) 272-6747. The fax phone number for the

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